

**Mr. and Mrs. Sallie**  
being the Confessions  
of a new wife ...  
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**Barry Pleads His Case.**

"It's just the sort of day for a tea party!" I exclaimed, when I met Barry the following afternoon promptly at five o'clock at the place which he had chosen. It was one of those charming little restaurants which are so popular in New York and whose very atmosphere inspires intimate conversation.

Outside a thin rain had been putting forth a purposeless performance with the results that the street which I glimpsed thru the window, was covered with a scraggly piece of wind-tossed veiling which, against the edges of the buildings, became, in turn, gray blotting paper. I slipped into the narrow cushioned bench which ran along the wall



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and he re-seated himself beside me. The waiter brought tea and an assortment of pastry and then disappeared at a nod from Barry. "It's so cozy here!" I declared, busying myself with the tea things and remembering to give Barry cream instead of lemon. I spoke admiringly of the potted geraniums the gay curtains of blue and white checked gingham and the highly decorated tables, which were unoccupied on account of the inclement weather and the lateness of the hour, most people preferring their tea at four thirty. For some reason Barry did not respond to my enthusiasm. He wore an absorbed expression and his tea remained untasted.

"I won't offer you the proverbial penny for your thoughts," I continued, "because I know how musicians scorn anything so mundane as money, but I WILL give you a piece of this delicious French pastry."

"Listen, Sallie," began Barry, still unable to enter into a gay humor. "I might as well tell you what's on my mind. I know all about your unhappy situation. I made Ellie tell me. You don't mind my knowing, do you?" he asked, anxiously scanning my face for an answer.

"I hate for you to bother yourself with my troubles," I fended. That Ellie had confided in him only from the kindest motives in my behalf I was certain and yet I disliked him knowing about the events of the past summer.

"My dear, my dear," he was saying, "don't you know that your troubles are mine? I must tell you then how very, very much I love you. When I first saw you that night at Monte Carlo you fulfilled all my dreams and my desires. At last I found YOU only to learn that you belonged to another." For a moment he was lost in reminiscence, "but that didn't keep me from caring. I tried to erase you from my life. God knows I did, Sallie, but I couldn't. I couldn't! I decided I could rather be in love with you and never possess you than to have, perhaps, the whole affection of any other woman. I would be satisfied with expressing my love for you in my music," his dark eyes burned with emotion, "I would go along, like Dante, with my ideal ever before me, and like Beatrice, you would be my guiding star—my inspiration!"

"Oh, Barry, you must not say these things, don't you KNOW that you shouldn't?" I interrupted for I was strangely alarmed at his ardent wooing.

"I know. You still think that you are in love with Curtiss. You told me how you felt toward him, in no uncertain words in Paris, and I had resolved never to speak of my love for you again, Sallie, but after El-

lie told me what she did I couldn't help but think that he had forfeited your admiration. It seems to me that it is now a question to be settled between you and me—not as Curtiss Wright's wife—but as a woman free to choose her future, unhampered by any bonds of matrimony."

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"That hasn't anything much to do with the subject," he startled me by saying, "just because you took part in a ceremony which was instituted in the beginning to protect

the property rights of children, I suppose you think that ties you, irrevocably, to a man regardless of his neglect or whether or not he lives up to his part of the agreement." I gasped at his modern view-point of matrimony because I felt that my marriage vows were very sacred. "In my opinion," he concluded, "he has sacrificed the right to any consideration in the matter."

"But I really don't think things are as bad as they look between him and—" "The flapper in Birmingham?" he finished for me, "but that isn't the point I'm making. Whether he is infatuated with this girl or not doesn't of itself create an issue. The fact that he has wounded your feelings and given you cause for unhappiness is what greatly matters. That he fails to cherish and protect your love, as if it were a precious jewel, and that he has ceased to appreciate your beauty and charm are transgressions for which he should never hope to be forgiven! You aren't thinking of ever going back to him, are you, Sallie?"

"I hadn't thought of doing anything else," I replied frankly, "after all the gossip has blown over." "You can't do it, you can't," he declared with vehement decision, "whatever you decide to do don't permit yourself to even think of reconciliation. Can't you see that if he's capable of neglecting you once he'll do it again at the slightest provocation? Oh, I haven't any doubt that he cares for you in his own way," he answered the question in my eyes. "But it isn't sufficient!" he quickly added, "you being YOU and so absolutely sweet and lovely! You should be married to someone who understands your artistic nature and your sensitive spirit. You cannot exist on husks of his desultory affection, for a temperament such as yours demands unstinted devotion."

I sipped my tea that he might not read my thoughts which flew back to the summer, which, for me, had passed so dully, with Curtiss either occupied with his business affairs or surreptitiously meeting Letitia Evans. Grievous thoughts flashed thru my mind. Suppose Barry were right in his estimate of Curtiss. He was voicing, in different words, Ellie's identical opinion. Could it be possible, I asked myself, that Curtiss meant to live up to his high ideals but couldn't? That after all he possessed frailties of character like so many other husbands? That he was not impeccable? Perhaps mediocre! Could it be possible that he was not faithful? No, no, no, a thousand times no! Altho he had entered into this flirtation with Letitia Evans, I knew in my heart of hearts that, if he would, he could

**FARM AND STOCK MART**

**HIGHLIGHTS ON STATE CROPS**

From New York State Dept. Farms and Markets  
October 26, 1926.

**Apple Market Steady**

Fresh receipts of state apples were lighter and with the demand moderate, says the Department of Farms & Markets, the undertone of the market was about steady. Western New York grade A, 2 1-2 inch Rhode Island greenings wholesaled at \$2.50-3 per barrel. Baldwin of the same grade and size from the Hudson Valley jobbed out from \$2.50-3.50; McIntoshes \$6.50-7.

**Grape Market Firmer**

A trifle better feeling prevailed on the market for state Concord grapes. Supplies were lighter and the demand slightly improved. Offerings from central and western New York peddled out at 42½ to 52½ cents per 12-quart basket depending, of course, entirely upon the quality and condition. Hudson Valley shipments realized from 50-60 cents.

**Cabbage Steady**

Supplies of cabbage from the central and western part of the state were moderate. Trading was fair and the situation generally steady at about unchanged prices.

**Potato Market Steady**

Early morning trading for white potatoes was rather light. Liberal supplies were on hand at most terms.

still offer some reasonable explanation of his behavior which would restore him to the pedestal which, in spite of everything, he still occupied in my estimation.

With these thoughts of Curtiss tugging at my heart, I suddenly felt that I almost disliked Barry and I knew, too, that it was because he had spoken disparagingly of Curtiss.

"I don't think you should criticize him so severely," I flashed up at him, "it isn't ethical." I stammered, trying to find the right word "under the circumstances." I continued, "and certainly most unbecomingly!"

I expected him to be embarrassed at my reprimand and felt that he would at least apologize for his outspoken manner.

(The temperamental musician replies to Sallie's tirade in the most surprising fashion. Read his answer in next week's installment.)  
(To be continued Next Week)

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inals. Truck jobbing business on up-state bulk round whites was transacted from \$4.75-5.25 per 120 pound bags, according to condition and quality. Maine Green Mountains brought \$5.50; occasionally \$5.75.

**Live Poultry Weak**

The receipts of fowls were moderate and the market slow and weak. Prices have declined four cents per pound on leghorn fowls but have advanced two cents per pound on chickens since one week ago. Latest prices are: Fowls, leghorn 14-16c; colored 24-28c. Chickens, leghorn 21-22c; colored 22-23c.

**Country-Dressed Calves Dull**

The receipts of calves were light but the market weak and dull. Latest prices have declined 3c per pound since the same day last week. Today's prices are: Choice 19-20c good 14-18c; common 11-13c, small 9-10c.

**Butter, Cheese, Eggs Firm**

Prices of butter have advanced one-half cent since one week ago. Latest prices are: Creamery salted, higher score, 47½-48½c, 92 score 47¼-47½c. One year ago higher score sold at 51c.

The cheese market is very firm and a great scarcity of New York flats prevail. Average run is quoted at 23½-24c. Last year the same grade sold for 25½c.

High grade white eggs are in especially good demand. Storage eggs are in fair demand and are moving more freely than mixed qualities. Eggs are still selling five cents per dozen below last year's prices. Tuesday's prices are: Nearby henry, closely selected whites 76-78c average extras 74-75c; nearby gathered whites, firsts to extra firsts 56-62c; nearby henry browns, fancy to extra fancy 56-62c.

**Livestock Steady**

Heavy state fat bulls were selling today at 6-6½c per pound, medium 3½-4c, canner cows 1½-2½c. Reactors 3¼-3½c. Veal calves, choice 16½-17c, grass calves 5-6c;

sheep, choice 6-6½c, culls 2½-3c. State lambs 11-14½c. Hogs 13½-14½c; roughs 10½-11½c.

**Hay Market Steady**

The receipts of hay were liberal and the market held steady. Tuesday's prices are: U. S. Timothy, per ton, No. 1, \$27; No. 2, \$25-26; No. 3, \$23-24; Sample \$16-19.

Washington, D. C., for the week ending Oct. 25, 1926.

**Fruits and Vegetables**

Potato prices continued to advance. New York sacked round whites closed at \$2.75-3 per 100 pounds in eastern markets; \$2.40-\$2.55 f.o.b., Rochester. Maine sacked Green Mountains ranged \$3-3.35 in city markets; bulk stock mostly \$2.50-2.55 f.o.b., Presque Isle. Wisconsin sacked round whites \$2.40-\$2.60 carlot sales in Chicago \$2.15-\$2.30 f.o.b., Waupaca. Onions firm. New York yellow varieties \$1.75-\$2.10 packed per 100 pounds in eastern markets; \$1.50-1.65 f.o.b., Rochester. Midwestern yellows \$1.50-\$2 in consuming centers; \$1.35-\$1.60 f.o.b. Sweet potatoes unsettled. Virginia yellow varieties ranged \$1.50-2.85 per barrel. New Jersey yellows 75c-\$1.50 per bushel hamper. Tenn. Nancy Halls \$1-1.10 in Chicago. Apple markets dull. New York 20 ounce \$2-2.50 per barrel in eastern cities.

**Live Stock and Meats**

Top price on hogs at Chicago today was \$13.75 or 25c lower than a week ago, bulk of sales at \$11.85, being 35c higher to 10c lower. Beef steers showed advances of 10-75c, while cows and heifers shared slight declines. Heavy calves were 25c lower and vealers declined sharply. Stocker and feeder steers were slightly lower. Fat lambs and yearling wethers showed a decline of 50c, fat ewes and feeding lambs holding about steady. New York wholesale fresh meat market on western dressed, good grade meats, is 50c higher on steer beef, \$1 higher on veal, \$1-2 higher on lamb, steady to \$1 higher on mutton, \$1 lower on light pork loins and \$1-3 higher on heavy loins.

**Dairy Products**

Butter markets during the week

ending October 25, were fairly firm with some price advances at the close. Trading in storage butter was showing some improvement. Production conditions are reported favorable, but receipts at the markets have been showing considerable decrease. Closing wholesale prices 92 score butter today: New York 47½; Chicago 47½; Phila. 48½; Boston 47 cents. Cheese markets held to a steady course with prices on the cheese boards of October 22, at Plymouth, Wis., showing no change.

**Hay**

Market steady. Receipts generally light with good demand. Timothy offerings move readily, eastern markets. Alfalfa demand good with moderate shipping demand. Prairie receipts moderate but some medium to low grades in arrivals. No. 1 timothy New York \$27; Cincinnati \$20; Chicago \$22; St. Louis \$23. No. 1 alfalfa Kansas City \$20. No. 1 prairie Kansas City \$11; Chicago \$21; St. Louis \$19.

**Feed**

Market continues draggy. Wheat feeds dull. Cottonseed meal prices slightly firmer but trade reports indicate some accumulation at mills. Linseed meal lower in eastern markets. Gluten feed draggy with some sellers making price concessions. Hominy feed quiet. Alfalfa meal practically unchanged. Chicago feed \$29.75; yellow hominy feed \$27.50; Kansas City hard winter wheat bran \$20.75; hard winter wheat bran \$20.75; hard winter brown shorts \$25; alfalfa meal \$22-50. Forty-three per cent cottonseed meal Memphis \$25.

**Grain**

Grain market generally firm. Wheat futures slightly higher than week ago but easier at close on slackened export buying. Corn slightly higher on top grades but off grades slow in southwest. Oats holding steady. No. 1 dark northern \$1.45-1.52. No. 2 red winter St. Louis \$1.43. No. 2 hard winter St. Louis \$1.47. Kansas City \$1.46-1.43. No. 2 yellow corn Kansas City 76c. No. 3 yellow corn St. Louis 76c; Minneapolis 74c. No. 3 white oats St. Louis 46c; Minneapolis 42c; Kansas City 45c.

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